Richard Burton 1596

Borthwick vol 26 fol 514

In the name of god Amen the xxix th day of August 1596 I Richard Burton of Gigleswicke sick in body but of pfecte remembrance praised be god etc doe make this my laste will and Testament in mannr and forme followeinge First I give and Commende my soule to Jesus Christe my onely Lord and saviour and my body to be buryed in (sic) churchyard of the pishe churche of Gigleswick and for my mortuary and all other church dues I give what of right is due and accustomed Alsoe I give the tytle and Tenntrighte of my tenemt and houses to John Burton my sonne and to the issue of his bodye lawfullye to be begotten alwaye reserveing to Alice my wiefe her widowrighte of my said Tenemt and of my goods And for defalte of my said sonne and of the issue of his body lawfully as aforesaid to be begotten I give my said Tenemt to Thomas Burton my sonne and the yssue of his body lawfully to be begotten. And for want of such issue I give the tytle of my tenemt & tenntright thereto by the Licence of the Right Honorable the Earle of Cumberland my good Lord To my brother John Burton and the issue of his body lawfully begotten also I give to my children there equal portions of my goods except to my sonne John whome I appoynte not portion unto. But my will is that he shalbe contented wth my Tenement for and in full satisfaction of his portion. Also my will is that my said wiefe Alice and my brother John Burton shall have the Bringing up of my children duringe their nonage. Item when my debts and funrall expenc be paid I give to my daughter Jennett twoe pts of my pte of goods And the rest of my pte of goods I give to the rest of my children equally to be devyded amongst them and of this my will I make my said wife Alice sole executrix Theis being witnesses John Burton Robert Kellitt wth others

BANKE Alice 1567 Ref. Borthwick. York. vol. 19 fol. 578

In the name of god amen the 20th. of August 1567 I Alice Banke of Stackhouse sick in body but whole of mind and of good and perfect memory make this my last will and testament in manner and form following First I bequeath my soul unto almighty god and to all the celestial company of heaven and my body to be buried in the parish church of Gisburne and it is my will and testament that all duty and funeral expenses be (discharged) for my burial. Item I give and bequeath unto my good brother Leonard Symondson the sum of six pounds thirteen shillings four pence of current money of England Item I give and bequeath unto my sister two kyne of the (price) of the pound six shillings eight pence Item I give to mr. vicar for my funeral bu.... 5s. and to the clerk thereof 2s. Item my debts paid and funeral expenses discharged I give and bequeath all the rest of my goods to Lawrence lister and Elizabeth my sisters children equally betwixt them to be divided by even portions Item I ordain and make the said Leonard Symondson my brother in law my true and lawful executor of this my last will and testament to see the same truly to be observed and executed bearing witness mr. John Robinson vicar of gisburne beforesaid and James Fox ibi(de)m clerk gisburne

3 lines latin

Ibim – ibidem, in the same place Idem – the same

William Banks 1577

Borthwick vol 21 fol 31

In the name of God amen the viii day of december in the xviii yeare of the Reigne of our sovereigne ladie Eliz. by the grace of god quene of England france and Ireland defender of the faithe 1577 I Willm Banks of huggonhouse in Rawthemell within the pishe of gyggleswicke and in the countie of yorke husbandman, beinge of good and pfecte remembrace, prased be almightie god do make this my last will and testament; in maner and forme followinge First I give and bequithe my soule to almyghtie god my maker and redemer, and my bodye to be buried in the churche yeard of gyggleswicke, also I bequithe to my mortuarie, and other churche dues, all that right will, also my will is that margaret my wyfe shall have her widowright of my goods, and have half of all my tenament and all my pte of the teythe corne and str... duringe her widowhead she payinge therfore the yearlye rent and other dewes Also my will is and I do gyve unto xpofer Banks my sone the Tytle and Tennte Right of my Tenament and of my Tyethe accordinge to my leasses, Reservinge unto my wyfe suche Estate therin duringe her widowhead as is above said, and he to helpe and sucker his brother and systers tyll they come at sucker in his power and also agreeyinge with his brother at the sight of some frends, Also I geve unto the said xpofer my sonne to enter unto after my wyfe widowhead all my husbandry geare and my lomes withall his owne proper goods, and he to claime no other childs porcon of my goods, also I give to Robert Banks my sonne vj li xiij s iiij d, in peny or pennyworthe ovr and beside his childe porcon, also I gyve to my two daughters agnes and margaret there childs porcons of my goods wche....there mother, Reward The rest of my pte of goods not bequithed my debtts and all other dues paid I gyve to my wyfe and my foure children viz. Xpofer, Robt agnes and margaret equallie to be devided amongst and I make and constitute margaret my wyfe my wholle Executrix of this my last will and testament. The... wittnes Thomas Carr Willm Armytstead of Rawthemell, and James clarke with others....

John Bawderston 1578 Borthwick vol. 21 fol. 213

In the name of God Amen the xxij th day of September 1578 I John Bawderston of Settell within the parish of Giggleswick sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance loved be almighty god my maker and redeemer and my body to be buried in the parish church yard of Giggleswick And for my mortuary and other church dues all that right will Also I give to the poor man's box ij d Also I will that Elsabethe my wife shall have her widow right half of my farmhold landes and goodes And that she to be best at my house during her widowhood and after her widowhood I give the title and tenant right of my tenement and my land unto Richard Bawderston my eldest son and all my husbandry gear and my wife and he to occupy my said husbandry gear together during her time and the said Richard to take this for his child's portion and the rest of my children to have their child's portions according to the law and if it chance at any time hereafter any controversy disorder or any misagreement to be among my children Then my will is that Richard Kidde my brother in law and the recorders of this my last will shall order them at all times Thereafter of my part of goods my debts and all other dues paid and discharged I give and bequeath unto Edwarde Bawderston and Anne Bawderston my daughter equally between them And I make and constitute Elizabethe my wife and Richarde Kidd my brother in law my whole executors These witness Thomas Browne younger younger(sic) Robte Kidde and James Foster Clarke with others

William Borenand 1578 Borthwick vol. 21 fol. 342

In the name of God amen The xxj th day of January 1578 I William Borenand of Settill sick in body but of good and perfect memory (praised be almighty god) make this my last will and testament in manner and form following First I give and bequeath my soul to almighty god, and to Jesus Christ his son my saviour and redeemer, and my body to be buried in the parish church yard of gygleswicke, and for my mortuary and other church dues all that right will, also I will that agnes my wife shall have her widow right of my goods and my children their portions according to the law, The rest of my part of goods my debts and funeral expenses, and all other dues paid I give to agnes my wife and to my children equally among them, and I make and constitute agnes my wife my whole executrix, These witness Thomas Brenande Robt Altham Ralinge Lawson and James Foster clerk and curate with others

Will of John Braishey 1597

Borthwick vol. 26 fol. 556

In the name of god amen the 28th day of April in the year of the reign of our most gracious sovereign lady Elizabeth by the grace of God of England France and Ireland Queen defender of the faith the 39 AD 1597 I John Braishey of Giggleswick sick in body but of perfect remembrance praised be god do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I give and bequeath my soul to Jesus Christ my only Lord and alone saviour and my body to be buried in the parish Church of Giggleswick and for my mortuary and other Church dues I will that which is due and accustomed shall be truly paid. Item I will that my debts shall be paid of my whole goods. Item I give and bequeath the title and tenant right of my tenement and houses with all taken grounds and their appurtenances situate lying and being within the town fields of Giggleswick aforesaid which are now in my possession and occupation which said tenement and houses are of the yearly rent of 15s 10 1/2 d unto Richard my eldest son by the licence of the Lord and to his issue and for want of him and his lawful issue then I give the same unto Thomas my younger son and his issue and for want of his lawful issue then I give the same unto William my youngest son and to his lawful issue and for want of such issue male of my said sons Richard Thomas and William or any of them then I will that all the same shall remain unto such of the name as by law is the nearest unto the same always reserving unto Margaret my wife her widowright thereof. Item I will that my said eldest son Richard shall after his entrance unto my said houses and tenement pay unto Thomas my younger son the sum of £20 And that at such time or times as Richard Braishey my natural brother Thomas Browne and William Cocker my brethren in law and Anthony Armisteade of Langcliffe shall think convenient. Item I give and bequeath unto William my youngest son one Close called lowpke(?) and my part of a Close called Highewarke lying and being in the fields of Stainforth under bargh and to his issue lawful and for want of his issue lawful then I give the same unto Thomas my son and to his issue and for want of his issue lawful then I give the same unto Richard my eldest son and to his issue my said wife Margaret having her widowright in and unto the same always reserved unto her. Item for my goods I will that of the same my Children shall have their equal portions and Margaret my said wife her widowright in and unto the same. And for my part of goods my debts first discharged my funeral expenses paid and other dues done I give and bequeath the two parts thereof unto Thomas my said son and the third part thereof unto William my said son and if it so please God that my said wife have conceived or shall conceive and be delivered of Child by me begotten then I will that the Child shall have such part of my said third part of goods with my said sons Thomas and William as shall be set down by the afore named Richard Braishey Thomas Browne Anthony Armisteade and William Cocker. Item I will that my wife shall have the use and occupation of my said tenement houses and grounds until my Children shall come to the age twenty and one years for their better education and bringing up and that at the discretion of the afore named Braishey Thomas Browne Anthony Armisteade and William Cocker. Item if it so fortune that William my said son die without issue my said wife surviving him then I will that my said wife shall have the use and occupation in the fields of Stainforth under Barghe before by this my will given and bequeathed unto him for and during her life natural (any former grant thereof made my said son Thomas and his issue and unto my said son Richard and issue not gainsaying or withstanding). Item I give unto

Richard my eldest son two pair of bedstocks the best in my house and one almory in the cellar and one Chest which was his natural mothers I will that my said son Richard shall have all my husbandry gear paying for it as it shall be priced which I desire the pricers of my goods may be reasonably valued. Item my will is that if it so please God that my said son Richard die before he come to the lawful age so ... then my said son Thomas do come to the use and occupation of my said tenement and houses then I will that my son William shall have all that two parcels of my third part of goods before bequeathed unto my said son Thomas. Item whereas I have entered to buy.. a field house and had bought oak wood whereof certain trees lie at my house and the rest in the west(?) I will that my son Richard shall have the same trees therewith to build the same house. Item if it happen (at any time or times before my Children shall come to the age of 21 years) that there be any difference or disagreement between my said wife and them my said Children that then these four my said Brother Richard Brayshey Thomas Browne Anthony Armisteade and William Cocker shall determine and set down order amongst them in all things. And I Charge my said wife and Children to submit themselves unto the order of these four. Item whereas in my brother Richard his being sole tenant the improvements belonging to my said house and tenement of the rent of 10s 1/2d yearly all which I always had and yet have in my own occupation were put in my said brother warrant which he had from the right honourable the Earl of Cumberland I desire my supervisors take care that when my said Son Richard or Thomas or William or any of them shall be set tenants that the said improvement may be sole in his or their or any of their warrant as it ought to be and I ordain Margaret my said wife and Richard my said son joint executors of this my last will and testament. And I request and desire my friends therefore Richard Brashaye Thomas Browne Anthony Armisteade and William Cocker to be supervisors thereof and to be aiding and assisting unto my said executors in the due and lawful execution of the same. Witnesses hereof John Palaye Richard Brayshaye Thomas Browne Anthony Armisteade and William Cocker

BRANNDE Thomas 1590 Ref. Borthwick. York. vol. 25 fol. 850

In the name of god amen the fourth day of December 1590 I Thomas brannde of Settle of the parish of Gigleswicke in the county of york sick in body but of perfect remembrance praised be god do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following First I bequeath my soul to Jesus Christ my only saviour and redeemer and my body to be buried in the church yard of Gigleswicke, And for my mortuary and other church dues all that right will Item it is my will that my wife shall have her widow right of my tenement and of my goods and my children their portions according to law and right, Item it is my will and mind that John my son shall be honestly kept at my house so long as he will take it and be guided by his brother William and when he shall myslicke (mislike) thereof he to have a bedroom in some sufficient and convenient place of my house to come and go unto during his life, Item it is my will that William my son shall have my tenement he perform until this my will my wife right excepted And if he do not marry Isabell swainson then my will is he shall have all such goods as I paid to our kind lord for the lease and if he do marry her then my will is that the said William shall pay to John his brother seventy pounds eleven shillings eight pence which I paid for the said lease and for all other taken grounds my will is the same shall be divided amongst my children Item I give to every one of my god children one gimmer lamb to be delivered at midsomer next Item it is my will that every one of my grand children viz William John and Janet shall have twenty shillings of the money which is in the house Also I have delivered to Janet my daughter one new panne one pot and one chist in remembrance of (such?) things as I had (of hers) which things shall not be (prysed) Item I give to William my son half my husbandry gear the rest of my part of goods not bequeathed I give it wholly unto the said Janet my daughter whom I make my sole executrix of this my last will and testament And I appoint John armitstead of Gigleswicke William brannde my son and Richard bawderstone supervisors of this my will to aid and assist my executrix in his right These being witnesses John armitstead Richard Bawtherstone and Robert crake with others

4 lines Latin

Thomas Brashey the elder 1589 (? 1587, parish regs; ?1588, YAS listing)

Borthwick vol 23 fol 236

In the name of god amen the vith day of May 1589 I Thomas Brashey thelder of Giglesweke beinge of pfect memorye praysed be god do make this my last will and testament in mannr and forme followeinge. First I commend my soule into thands of almightie god my heavenlie father by whose mercyes through the redemption in Jesus christ I verelie beleve to be saved and my bodye to be buried at the discretion of my frends secondlye I give for my mortuarie that wch of right is due and accustomed Allso I give to Richard Brashey my sone the tent in the west end of the towne, of the yearly rent of sixtene shillinges with the leave and Licence of the lord allso I give to the said Richard Brayshay my sone all my land in Gigleswicke of the yearlye rent of vj s viij d Whearupon the said Richard nowe dwelleth and is possessed Allso I give to the said Richard Brayshay my sone one pare of oxen or thre Pounds sex shillinges and eight pence to buye a yock of oxen wth all at the choice of my executor. Allso I give to John Brayshawe my sone my farmhould in the east end of the towne, of the yearlie rent of xs together withall appurtenances and improvements belonging to the same with the licence of the lord, Allso I give to Issabell my daughter one cowe or xxxiii s iiii d to buy one withall at her choice to take whether she will Allso I give my husbandrye geare to my sones Richard Brayshay and John Brayshay equallie to be devided betwene them The rest of all my goods my debts and funrall expences paide I give to my sone John Brayshay whome I make whole executor of this my last will and testament theis being witnesses Christofer Cocket Anthonye Armistead and others,.....

Robert Brayshay 1582

Borthwick vol 22 fol 257

In dei no(m)i(n)e amen the twelthe day of february in the yere of oure lord god one thousand fyve hundrethe fourscore and two I Robert Brayshay of langelife in Craven in the county of york husbandman secke in body but hole of mynd and pfite of Remembrance thanks be geven to god make my last will & testamente in manner and forme followinge that is to say First I comend my soule to god almyghty by myne assured faythe in whom and therowe the meritte of the passion of his dere Sonne Jesus Christe I fathefully beleve and hope to enioy and have the heavenly reward & blessed life ppared from the beginninge p...ably to endure for all suche Christian sowles as dye in the lord and pass away from this worldly miserable and transitory life with a pure and lyvely faithe in Christe Jesu his sonne and I will my body be buried in suche place and with suche decentnes & funrall obliquyes to be done and executed about my buriall as the lawes of the churche will pmitt also I geve to Isabel Carr my servante one arke one arke (sic) and one gymber Lambe also I geve to anne Siggeswicke my Servante one gimer lame also I geve and bequethe to every child whom I am godfather unto one Lame also it is my mynd & will that all my whole messuage or Tenemente wth thappurtenances whereupon I now dwell be occupied by mgaret my wife and my brother John Brayshay ioyntly together and the pfitt thereof remynge to be equally devided betwixte them bothe or otherwise used for the pfitt of them bothe in like duringe the naturall life of my said wife and she always to be taken and used for the beste & head of the house and after the deathe of my said wife I geve and bequethe unto the said John my brother all my interest, title, tearme, Tenemente, right, clame & demand wch I now have or hereafter might or my have in & to the said messuage or tenemente wth thappurtenances & in & to all suche as dothe belonge the same to have, hold & occupy, and enioy the said messuage or tenemente & other the pmisses wth thappurtenances wth all my interest title, tearme, tenemente, righte, clame, and demand in, and to the same as it shall fortune to be at & in the day of the said margaret unto the said John & the issue of her bodye lawfully begotten for ever pvided always that if it shall fortune the said John to depte oute of this mortal life wthout issue male of his body lawfully begotten Then I geve and bequethe my sayd interest, title, tearme, tennante right claime & demand into the said messuage or Tenemente wth thappurtenances unto Thomas Brashay my brother Richard Sonne and to the issue of his body lawfully begotten for ever from and immediately after the deathe of my sayd brother John also it is my mynd & will that two of my arkes and one old almory shall stand, continue and remayne still in my house as heirlomes for my wife and my sayd brother John, and so from one to an other of our successors The Reste of all my goods unbequethed my detts Legacies and funrall expences discharged I geve and bequethe unto my sayd wyfe and my brother John to be equally devided betwixt them whom I make executors of this my last will and testamente thes beynge witness Mathew Siggeswick John Armetstead John Brayshaw & others

...Latin text

Thomas Brayshay 1597

Borthwick vol. 27 fol. 516

In the name of God amen the 9th day of February 1597 I Thomas Brayshay younger of Giggleswick sick in body but of perfect remembrance praised be god do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul to Jesus Christ my only Lord and alone saviour etc. and my body to be buried in the churchyard of the parish church of Giggleswick aforesaid and for my mortuary and other church dues what of right is due and accustomed I will the same be truly paid. Item I will that my debts shall be paid of my whole goods. Item I give and bequeath my whole estate and title of tenant right of my tenement and leases with their appurtenances now in my own occupation and also the Right and title of all that land tenements and houses in the tenure and occupation of my father Richard Brayshay whatsoever as(?) or may befall as due unto me after the decease of my said father (my mother her widow right according to law reserved unto her) unto Richard my son and unto his issue lawful and for want of my said son and such issue if(?) Margaret my wife have remained and bring forth a child by me begotten then I will the same wholly remain unto the same child and to the issue lawful thereof. And for want of the said child and such issue then I will the same shall wholly remain unto Christopher my brother and to his issue lawful (and for want?) of him and such issue I will that the same remain unto Elizabeth my lawful issue and for want of her and her issue then to every always the aforesaid their appurtenances Margaret my said wife and her widow right reserved unto her as the same shall fall unto her for and during her pure widowhead. And if it fortune that my said son Richard die my said wife not having Conceived or brought forth my Child then living by my body (as(?) is aforesaid) begotten and she then Remaining in pure widow head thereby my said lands and tenements and houses with their appurtenances (as is afore set down) do remain to my said brother Christopher only her widow right (unto her bequeathed in manner and form aforesaid excepted) then my will is that my said brother Christopher shall satisfy amply unto my said wife such sum or sums of money and at such times as shall be ordered and set down by four substantial honest and indifferent men two whereof to be appointed by him and the other two by my said wife. Item I give unto Richard my said son his whole portion of my goods and if my said wife shall bear another child by me begotten then I will that that child have equal portion of my goods which my said son Richard and my wife her widow right thereof and for my part of goods I give the same unto my said son Richard and the said child if it fall out that my wife do bear another and to my said wife equally to be divided between them. Item I will that the best almery in my father's house and one pair of bedstocks left in my house(s?) do still remain and continue at the houses. And I appoint Margaret my said wife my whole executor of this my will. Witnesses hereof John Palaye Richard Brayshay and Anthony Armistead

BROWNE Austen 1577 Ref.Borthwick.York.,vol.21 fol.31

In the name of God Amen. The third day of January anno regni Elizabeth dei grat... anglie France etc queen decimonono Anno dom. 1577 I Austen Browne of Rawthemell in the county of York sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance, praised be almighty God, do make this my last will and testament in manner and form as followeth, First I bequeath my soul to Almighty God my maker and Saviour, and my body to be buried in the church yard of Gigleswicke, Item I bequeath for my mortuary, and other church dues all that right will, Item I give and bequeath the title and tenant right of my tenement with the licence of the lord unto Stephen Armitstead which married my eldest daughter, Item I give and bequeath unto Hewe Browne my son, if he be living and do come into the country his own self £3.6s.8d.,the same to be unto him in full recompense of his whole childs part of my goods, with that which I gave to my son Willim to bestow upon him, and I do charge Willim my son on gods behalf to be good to my said son hewe, and to recompense unto him some reasonable portion (fourthe) of that goods which he had of me, Item I give to Anne Armitsted eldest daughter to Stephen Armitstead my son in law, one great brass pott which before this time was given to her and some (receyved agane?) Item I give to any of the five children of the said Stephen which was my daughters children 12d. Item I give to Thomas Bordley (19s.6d.?) which is in the hands of henry nelson of Conistone, the residue of all my goods and cattells moveable and immoveable, my debts and funeral expenses paid I give wholly unto Anne and Jane my daughters equally to be divided between them, and I make and ordain the said Anne & Jayne my daughters my joint and whole executors of this my last will and testament, and I make and ordain my trusty friend Robt. (Cocket) of Gigleswicke Stephen Armitstead of Frerehead John Foster of Rawthemell and Thomas Bordley of Wiglesworth supervisors of this my last will and testament requiring them to aid and assist my said two daughters in all their lawful causes, These being witness William Armitsted Thomas Carr John Foster and Thomas Bordley 3 lines Latin

Borthwick volume 21 Folio 4v Will of Bernard Browne 1576

In the name of God Amen the 25th day of February in the year of our Lord God 1576 anno regni Elizabeth dei gracia anglie regine19th I Barnarde Browne of Closehouse in the county of York husbandman sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance praised be Almighty God do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I bequeath my soul to Almighty God my maker and saviour and my body to be buried in the church yard at Giggleswick. Item I bequeath for my mortuary and other church dues all that right will. Item I give and bequeath to Emmotte my wife the occupation of my whole tenement at Closehouse during the end of four whole years from the marriage of Thomas my son to bring up my children with all according to the true meaning of the bargain made already between Robert Talior(sic) of Roomehouse(?) and me, unless that the said Thomas my son and his mother do otherwise agree and after the four years end I will that my said son Thomas shall enter unto two parts thereof and my wife to have the third part during her widowhood and after her death, my will is that the whole title and tenement right of the said tenement at Closehouse aforesaid shall remain unto the said Thomas Browne my son and to his lawful issue for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto Adam Browne my son my whole estate and hereditament of and in one house or barn situate in Giggleswick fields nigh a place called Sufferwasse (?) and all assurances touching the same and also I do give unto the said Adam Browne my son to hereafter to be mentioned all that half oxgang of land and meadow with the appurtenances which I had and bought of my cousin Thomas Brown of Cockhead, and also my whole estate and bargain which I have jointly with one James Brown late of Giggleswick of certain grounds granted and warranted to us and our assigns by the said Thomas Brown of Cockhead as by certain covenants made amongst us for that purpose more at large appears. Together with also the bargain which I have with one George Lawson of Giggleswick of one George Foster of the same and all my whole estate therein and thereunto. To have and to hold all the said premises to the said Adam my son and to his lawful issue for ever upon such conditions as hereafter shall be expressed and for lack of issue lawfully begotten by the said Adam, then my will is and I do give all the said bequeathed appointed to Adam, unto Richard Browne my son and to his lawful issue for ever and for lack of Richard and his lawful issue then I do give the premises to Margaret my youngest daughter and to her lawful issue for ever, and for lack of her and her lawful issue then I do give the said premises unto Isabell my daughter now wife to John Bank and to her lawful issue for ever and for lack of her and her issue then I do give the said premises unto Anne my daughter and to her lawful issue for ever and so to the residue of my children and their lawful issue for ever provided always and my will is that if the bargains last recited which I have of Thomas Browne and of George Foster which stand upon redemption be not loosed(?) and redeemed according to the writings, then my will is that the said Adam my son shall give unto the said Richard his brother for either bargain three pounds six shillings eight pence to be paid to him when he shall accomplish the age of 21 years, and both the said bargains, or either of them be loosed(?) and redeemed, then my will is that the said Adam shall be released of these payments unto Richard his brother and my will is that the money which shall be received of Thomas Browne and George Foster, or either of them I do give the same unto Anne and Margaret my daughters jointly between them, and I charge my son Adam not deny it, any thing before mentioned to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding. Item my will is that the new house all beneath the wall, viz. which stands of the ground which I bought of William Roome, the same shall remain to Adam, Richard, Anne, and Margaret my children to one after another, to come and go unto at their pleasure so long as they be unmarried for the better succour(?). And the remainds, of fee simple and inheritance thereof, and all evidences touching the same I do give unto Thomas Browne my eldest son and to his sons for ever. Item my will is that Adam Richard, Anne, and Margaret my children shall have their childs portions of my goods according to the laws. Item I give to John Banke my son in law one milk cow, the residue of my part of goods not bequeathed my debts legacies and funds all expenses paid I give and bequeath unto Anne and Margaret my daughters equally between them, and I do make Emmotte my wife my whole executor of this my last will and testament These being witnesses Roger Carre of Closehouse John Banke of Feizor and Robert C..eale(?) of Giggleswick.

Christofer Browne 1585

Borthwick vol 23 fol 53

In the name of God Amen. The sextenth day of June in the xxvij th yeare of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of god of England, France and Ireland Quene defender of the faithe etc. And in the yeare of our lord god one thousand fyve hundrethe fourescore and fyve. I Christofer Browne of Settle in Craven in the countie of yorke sicke in bodie but of good and pfect remembrance praysed be god do make this my last will and testament in writinge in manor and forme followinge. That is to saye, First I bequiethe my soule unto god almyghtie my maker and unto his dere sonne Jesus Christ my onelie saviour and redemer, and my bodie to be buried in the churche yeard of Gigleswicke, and also I bequiethe for my mortuarie and other churche dues all that right will And further I give and bequiethe to Janet my wyfe her widdowe right of my goods And(morover?) I give unto Willm Browne my sonne, And Agnes Browne my daughter their childes porcons of my said goods, And I will that Agnes my daughter shall have that Chamber in the north syd of my nowe dwelinge howse to lye in at her pleasur so longe as she shall kepe her unmaried my dettes beinge paid and funrall expenses discharged I give all the rest of my goodes unbequiethed unto Agnes My daughter. And I make the said Janet my wyfe and Agnes my daughter executors of this my last will and testament. Witnes of this my will Richard Kydd, Richard Lunde, Richard Somerskaile, and Anthonye Shawe.

Borthwick volume 24 Folio 109 Will of Emmott Browne 1588

In the name of God Amen the 18th day of July 1588 I Emmott Browne late wife of Barnard Browne of the Closehouse within the parish of Giggleswick being sick in body but perfect in mind do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my heavenly Father By faith in Jesus Christ believing verily to be saved. And my Bodie to be buried at the discretion of my friends in the parish church yard of Giggleswick. I commend for my mortuary that which is right and accustomed. Also I bequeath to my three natural daughters Isabell Anne and Margaret three young beasts equally to be divided amongst them. Item I give to Bernard Browne the son of my son Thomas Browne one young beast to the end he may be my executor. Item I give all the rest of my goods to Adam Browne my son my debts and funeral expenses paid. And of this my last will and Testament I make Bernard Browne aforesaid my executor. These being witnesses William Preston and John Brayshey

Isabell Browne of Giggleswick Will 1551 Borthwick v 13 f 910

In dei no[m]i[n]e amen the xxixth day of Aprile in the yere of oure lorde god 1551 I Isabell Browne hooll of mynde and memorie lauded be god make this my last will and testament in maner and forme followinge first I bequethe my soull to almightie god and to all the hoolie company of heaven and my bodie to be buried in the churcheyard of giggleswicke Item I bequethe for my mortuarie that that (sic) right will Item I bequeth to Robert Brayshawe iii ?steers and iii wedders one cowe that he haith in his keping xvs which he owith me Item to Richard Brayshawe son to the said Robert Brayshawe one arke that standeth in the barne Item to Alan Car sex shepe. Item to Thomas Wilson too shepe that ys to say one hog and one ewe Item to Roger Claphamson xxis that he oweth me for beefe Item to everye of his children one hog Item to Elsabeth Lunde a lettle brasse pott Item to James Lonnd sex ewes and one whye Item to Elynne Lonnd xviii s and a?chifre ?chist And thes shall the said Elyn have delivered when she shalbe xviii yeres of aige and if she dye then shalbe delivered to her brethren and sisters Item to William Lonnde vi wedders Item to Jenat Lawson one arke that is in the Seller a pot and a great panne Item to Agnes Kid daughter of John Kidd too ewes and a arke that standeth in the howseside The Residue of my howseholde stuff I will it be devided among my daughters the meall and malte except, at the sight of Richard Ratclyff James Foster clerks alane Carr William Lonnd and John Kid. The Residue of all my goodes my detts paid and funerall expenses I give and bequeth to Willm Lonnd my sonne whome I make my soll executor these men being witnes Richard Ratclif James Foster clerks Alane Carr with other moo

[Latin]

James Brown 1576

Borthwick vol. 21 fol. 6

In the name of God amen the second day of February in the year of our lord god 1576 I James Browne of gygleswicke sick in body nevertheless of good and perfect remembrance do constitute ordain and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following First I bequeath my soul to almighty god my maker and redeemer, and my body to be buried in the parish church yard of gygleswicke also I bequeath to the poor man's box xij d also I give to William Browne my son all my land and the title and tenement right of my tenement also I give unto the said William Browne my tithe of gigleswicke also I (give) to alkid Browne and kellettes children half of my goods and the other half of my goods I give unto William my son, also I make the said William Browne my whole executor of this my last will and testament These bearing witness Thomas Breyshawe George Lawson and Richard Breyshawe younger

WILL OF John BROWNE 1553 Borthwick Vol. 14 Folio 159

In the name of God Amen the 27th. Of September in the year of our lord god 1553. I John Browne of Rathmell sick in bodie & of perfect memory Loved be almighty god make this my last will & testament in manner & form following First I bequeath my soul to almighty god & to all the glorious company of heaven & my bodie to be buried in the churchyard of Giggleswick Item I bequeath 4d. for my mortuary & other church dues that at right will Item I will that John my son shall have his finding of my farmhold during his naturall life & to be (Bankehead) land & the said John shall neither sell nor let but to Robert his brother at the sight of friends Item I give & bequeath to Jenett Browne my daughter 16 marks of my goods Item I will that my wife shall be the best & have my whole farmhold during her widdowhead & after her widowhead I will & bequeath the title & tenant right of my farmhold to Robert my son with the licence of the lord Item I will that John my son shall have his portion of (goods) according to the law Item I will that Robert my son shall have all my husbandrie gear & a house the rest of all my goods my debts & funeral expenses paid I will & bequeath to Eliz(abeth) my wife whom I make my whole executrix These witnesses Alan Carr the elder Austen Browne Leonard Shepherd John (houghton) & oliver houghton with other moo

3 lines in Latin

Borthwick vol 25 fol 1127

John Browne 1591

In the name of god Amen the xx th day of June in the xxxiij yeare of the reigne of our sovgne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of god quene of Englande France and Ireland defender of the faithe etc. 1591 John Browne of lanckcliffe of the pish of giglesweke and countye of yorke Sicke in bodie but of pfecte remembrance praysed be god abut the laste day of februarie last paste before the date hereof did make and sett downe this his laste will and testament nuncupative in manner and forme folwinge First he did commend his sowle into the mercifull handes of Jesus Christe by and throughe whose onely deathe and passion he did fully beleve to be an inheritor of the kingdome of god Also he did apointe his bodie to be buried in the churche yeard of giglesweeke And that his mortuarie and all other church dues should be paide Also he did by the same his will geve grant devise and bequeathe unto Willm Browne his eldest sonne his whole estate and righte of in and to his whole messuage and tenemente with apptennces in Lankliffe and the benifytte of all and everie bargan thereof made or framed and all somes of money by him alredie paid for or in respecte of the same Also he did apointe and yt was his will that the saide Willm Browne his sonne shoulde bringe uppe James his sonne and Alice his daughter till they and eyther of them should come to Lawfull age or mariaige or other wyse pferred And also that he should take into his handes all the goodes which he the said John then hade And for asuringe as the same his goodes were unto of a smalle value his will was and he did apointe the same William to sett forwarde twentie nobles to the use of the said Alice his daughter to be aplied (?) to her moste profytte And the same to be unto her in full satisfacon of her wholle childes pte and filiall porcon of his goodes Also he did apointe and yt was his will that the saide William his sonne should pay unto his brother James twentye nobles within sixe monethes nexte after that he shall accomplishe the age of Twentie and one yeares in full satisfacon of his wholl childes pte and porcon of his goodes Also to Thomas browne his sonne Twentie nobles at the end of his prentishipp as his full porcon The residewe of his goodes not bequeathed and all other his goodes and chattells for the considracon aforesaide he did geve and bequeath unto the said William browne his sonne And did apointe and ordayne the said Willm browne his sonne his wholle executor And did require us the psonnes hereunder wrytten to cause this his will to be putt in wryttinge and to wytnes the same as his lawfull acte and laste will Thomas newhowse James Coakson with others

BROWN John 1597 Ref. Borthwick. York. vol. 27 fol. 176

In the name of god amen the third day of January one thousand five hundred ninety and seven I John Browne of Setle being sick in body but of good and pfect remembrance god be praised do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say First I commend my soul into the hands of god my maker hoping assuredly through the only merits of Jesus Christ my saviour to be made partaker of life everlasting and I commend my body to the earth whereof it is made Item I give and bequeath to Ellen my wife all my lands leases and goods moveable and immoveable situate lying and being within the lordship of Setle and langeliffe in the parish of gigleswick in the county of york to have and to hold the same and every part and parcel thereof unto the said Ellen my wife (from) and immediately after the day of my death during her widdowhead to be intent and upon condition that my said wife shall pay and discharge all my debts and funeral expenses and also all such childs portions and bequeaths as according to my meaning in this my last will is mentioned and declared that is to say First I will and my mind is that the said Ellen my wife shall pay unto either of my two daughters the sum of thirty pounds of lawful English money that is to wit to Anne Browne £30 and to Isabell Browne £30 at such time as they the said Anne and Isabell and either of them shall come to full age of 21 years or be married Item I give unto my son William one gray filly of the age of three years Item my will and mind is that my said son William immediately after the death or widdowhead of my said wife shall enter into all my said lands and leases before mentioned and bequeathed and the same to enjoy according to the several estates and terms of the writings thereof made unto the said John Browne the right of my wife is if fortune that she marry again and take a husband for and during her life only excepted and reformed provided always and upon condition that he the said William my son do with this my gift and bequeath to him limited hold himself well contented and pleased without expecting or looking to have any part or portion of my goods other than to him as already given and appointed and if he resist so to do then my will is that he shall have no part nor portion of any of my said lands and leases before limited unto him after his mothers decease or widdowhead but then same to descend and come wholly to my said two daughters in manner and form afore specified Item my will is that my brother in law William Geldard shall have a bedroom in my house wherein I now dwell and free access to the same at all times as hereafter he hath had during his single life Item my will is that if it so please god that my son William die without issue of his body lawfully begotten that then my house and land in Setle of six shillings eight pence rent shall return and remain unto my said two daughters to be divided equally between them Item I make the said Ellen my wife and my said brother in law William Geldard executors of this my last will and testament These being witnesses Richard Bradley James Cookson John Kid Thomas Saylbanke and Arthur Somerscales

6 lines Latin

Richard Browne of Giggleswick Will 1548 Borthwick v 13 f 502

In the name of god amen the yere of oure lorde god a thousand fyve hundrethe and xlviii (1548) the viii day of Octobre I Richarde Browne of Gigleswike seke in bodie and holl of mynde thanks be to god make my last will and testament as in forme followinge First I bequeathe my soull to almightie god and my bodie to be buried in the churche of Gigleswike Also I bequeathe to my mortuarie that at right will Also I bequeath to the comon chiste xiid Also I bequeath to the scolere that day I am buried xiid Also I bequeathe to Elisabeth my wif the half parte of Gigleswike tende *(ithe?*) corne Also I will that after my wif the said tende corne remayne to Richarde Browne my brother sone if he will kepe it to hyme self and his children or els I will that Thomas Carre and James Browne shall putt it wher they thinke moste right Also I bequeath to Elisabeth my wif the thirde of my farmeholde with licence of the lorde duringe here widowhede she payinge ?ferme therfore accordinge to the custome of the countrie Also I will that my wif have half of my goods accordinge to the custome of the countrie Also I bequeath to Elisabeth Kidde daughter of Thomas Kidde xxs Also I bequeath to John Cokehede vis viiid also I bequeath to Hugh Browne vis viiid Also I bequeath to Chrofer Browne sone of Rollande Browne xxs Also I bequeath to the wif of Hugh Newoss children xs and it to be devided at sight of Thomas Carre Also I bequeath to John Browne xs Also I bequeath to Richard Gifford sone to Richard Gifford of Engleton vis viiid Also I bequeath to William Foster sone of Oliver Foster vis viiid if he live or els to his daughter and if she die before she come at lawfull adge then it to be devided among twentie power folkes Also I make my mr Thomas Bankes esquier and Richarde Ratclif supervisores of this my last will and to se it be fulfilled Also I bequieth to my mr vis viiid and to Richarde Ratclif iiis iiiid for takyng paynes therin Also I will that my wif have all such goodes as I the said Richarde Browne did have at the house as one? sconce one pare of bedstoks a pare of cowpe raithes and one cowpe one ploughe one culter one hede yoke and foure wayne xv waynek and one knoppe. The residue of my goods my bequestes detts and funerall expenses paid I give and bequethe to Richarde Browne John Browne and Mawde Browne my brother children and it to be devided equally among theme. Also I will that John Browne portion of goodes be in the custodie of Thomas Carre and James Browne and they for to delyver it when they shall thinke right propper for the saide John Browne. Also I make William Browne and Elisabeth my wif my executors of this my last will witnes herof Thomas Yedon clerke Richard Brayshaye William Preston Smyth Richard Palay Edwarde Beckett clerk with other moo

[Latin]

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sconce = screen
wayne = cart, wagon
cowpe = cart
cowpe raithes = removable boards to heighten cart
culter = coulter for plough
knoppe = tub for ropy yarn
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Robert Browne 1598

Borthwick vol. 27 fol. 513

In the name of God Amen the 12th day of April in the 40th year of the reign of our most gracious sovereign Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God Queen of England France and Ireland defender of the faith etc. Anno dni 1598 I Robert Browne of Rawthmell in Craven within the county of York husbandman sick in body but of perfect mind and remembrance praised be Almighty God therefore do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul to Almighty God my maker and Redeemer and my body to be buried in the parish church or churchyard of Giggleswick in the said church. Item My will is that my debts be paid out of my whole goods and after my debts paid and funeral expenses performed I will that all my goods chattels and debts shall be divided into three equal parts whereof I will that Isabell my wife shall have one equal part with the second and third part of my goods and chattels and debts I will that be equally divided amongst my five children Thomas William Alice Isabell and Elizabeth. Item whereas Mr John Catterall for and in consideration of 16(?) pounds of good and lawful money of England to him the said John Catterall or his assigns well and truly satisfied contented and paid by the hands and of the said Robert Browne did demise grant sell and to farm let unto me the said Robert Browne one tenement whereupon I now dwell set lying and being within the Lordship of Rawthmell aforesaid being of the yearly rent of 23 shillings of lawful money of England. To have and to hold the said tenement and every the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto me the said Robert Browne and my said wife for and during the space and term of 21 years as appears more plainly by one Indenture of lease taken in the name of my son of Frances upon trust to and for the use of me the said Robert Browne and my said wife for and in consideration of the said the said Indenture bearing date the last day of December in the 35th year of the reign of our sovereign Lady Elizabeth the Queen's Majesty that now is for the space and term of 21 years from and after the feast day of the purification of our blessed Virgin Mary commonly called Candlemas day last past the day of the said Indenture. Now it is my will that my wife shall have the tenement aforesaid in as large and ample manner and as is expressed in the said Indenture during the space and term or years to come and not expired in the said Indenture being made by the said John Catterall to my said son Frances upon trust for the said consideration and to the use of me and my said wife and the longer liver of (them). Item I make Isabell my wife and my son Thomas executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof hereunto I have set my hand and seal the day and year first above written. Sealed and signed in the sight and presence of Robinson James Armitstead William Armitstead Thomas Carr

Borthwick volume 28 Folio 346 Will of Thomas Browne 1600

In the name of God Amen the sixth day of November in the two and 40th year of the reign of our sovereign Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God Queen of England, France and Ireland defender of the faith etc. 1600. I Thomas Browne of Closehouse in the parish of Giggleswick and in the county of York husbandman sick in body but of perfect memory to God be praised therefore do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul to Almighty God and my body to be buried in the earth within the parish church yard of Giggleswick aforesaid at the discretion of my wife children and friends. Item my will is that Jane my wife shall have the occupation of all my messuage and tenements with the appurtenances at Closehouse for and during the whole term of four years now next coming after the date hereof if she the said Jane continue widow after my decease untill the end of the same four years and if also she will during the said time keep and maintain Barnard my son and Margaret his now wife and their issue lawfull according to one Indenture of Covenant concerning marriage between me the said testator on the one part and Thomas Care of Rough close in the said county yeoman on the other part father of the said Margaret my daughter in law made at the time of her marriage she the said Jane my wife yielding paying doing and performing during the time of such her occupation all rents dues and impositions of rights to be payable therefore. And further my will is that after the end of the four years abovesaid or if before the end of the same four years Barnard my son and Margaret his said wife shall dislike to accept their finding and maintenance during the said four years in manner and form abovesaid that then my said messuage tenement and premises with the appurtenances and my husbandry gear shall be divided into three equal parts and that the said Jane my wife shall enter unto two parts thereof and the same to occupy and enjoy to her and her assigns until such time as Anne Browne my daughter shall depart this life or else be married if she the said Jane my wife shall after my decease so long live and keep herself widow and that my son Barnard and his assigns shall enter into have and occupy the other third part thereof to his and their uses. And after such time as Ann my said daughter be married or depart this life then my will is that Jane my wife shall from thenceforth occupy and enjoy only one third part of the said messuage and premises for and during her widowhood and my said son Barnard the other two parts. And for the revertions of all such right and estate as I have or ought to have of and in the said tenement my will is that the same be and remain to my said son Barnard and to the issue of his body lawfully begotten or to be begotten by licence of the Lord for ever. And for want of such issue then the same to remain to Elizabeth my daughter now wife of Frances Banks and to her issue lawful so as she the said Elizabeth and her issue or assigns or any of them shall and will pay and content Margaret Browne now wife of my said son Barnard if she fortune to survive the said Barnard and have no issue lawfully by him such sum or sums of money and in such and (ic) form as in the indenture above mentioned is set down and thereof did from time to time for ever discharge and save harmless the executors of me the said testator against the said Thomas Carr his executors administrators and assigns and so as also the said Elizabeth my daughter and her issue lawful or assigns shall content and pay unto my said daughter Ann Browne her executors or assigns the said sums of 40 marks of lawful English money in consideration of her title in the same tenement and for want of such issue lawful of the said Elizabeth then the same to remain to my said daughter Ann and her issue lawful so always as she the said Anne or her issue lawful or assigns

will pay to the said Margaret now wife of my said son Barnard if she fortune to survive the said Barnard and have no issue lawful by him such sum or sums of money and in such manner and form as in the above said indenture is set down (if the said sum be not paid before that time). And thereof do from time to time for ever discharge and save harmless the executors of me the said testator against the said Thomas Carr his executors administrators and assigns. And for my goods my will is that my debts legacies and funeral expenses being first paid of all the whole and that then the same be divided into three equal parts whereof two parts I give unto Jane my wife and the third part to my daughter. Item I give to Jane Banckes and Thomas Bankes sons of Frances Banckes either of them two lambs to be delivered to them at Midsummer next. Item I give to Barnard my son my best spurs saddle and a sword. And I appoint Jane my said wife to be sole executrix of this my last will and testament. Witnesses of the same Thomas Claphamsone Thomas Taylor and Alan Carr.

William Browne 1576

Borthwick vol. 21 fol. 5

In the name of god amen the ix day of March 1576 I William Browne of Settill sick in body but whole and perfect in mind praised be god do make my last will and testament in manner and form following First I give and bequeath my soul to god my maker, and to Jesus Christ my only redeemer and my body to be buried in the parish church yard of gyggleswicke, Secondly I bequeath for my mortuary whatsoever right does require, Also I bequeath all that my tenement which at this present(?) I occupy and enjoy to my wife until my lord of Cumberland come at full age, and if my wife marry before he come to age I give it to Anthony my son, also my will is, that after my son anthony come to age, she shall but have the half of my said tenement until my two daughters be honestly married, and when they be married my will is she shall but have the third thereof, also I give to my wife twenty shillings land which I have in over Settyll to bring up my two daughters withall to they be married and if it fortune that she marry again then my will is she shall have but the third of my said land, or if my said wife decease before my said daughters be married. Then my will is my said land shall remain my son Anthony, and he to bring up my two daughters, until he have helped them to honest marriages and if it please god my son Anthony die without issue, Then my will is that my land shall be equally divided amongst all my four daughters begotten of my last wife, also I bequeath my wife a silver spoon and I bequeath to Anthony my son another silver spoon, and all my stone troughs which I have within my lime pitt house, also I give to two children of Roger Clapham of Staykhus to either of them a ewe and a lamb, also I give unto the three children of Christopher Lawson of mawlane (?Moor Lane) to each of them a gimmer lamb, also I give to my daughter Isabell wife to Roger Brougton of kirkbye a dune(?) filly which he had in occupation the last years, also I give to every one of my godchildren ij d apiece also I bequeath unto my wife and my son Anthony jointly together all my timber lying in Peter Geldart wifes barn, to the upholding of my houses, and all my husbandry gear to occupy the whole tenement, if they cannot agree I then bequeath it all to her so long as she does(?) occupy the whole tenement, and if she occupy but the half or the third as before I have mentioned. Then shall she but have husbandry gear accordingly, Provided always that if my wife marry again, that then the husbandry gear shall wholly remain to my son Anthony and if my son Anthony die, Then to my four daughters above said, also if my son Anthony die without issue, Then my will is that my tenement shall remain to my daughter agnes and to the issue of her body lawfully begotten by Christopher Lawson, and for lack of issue of her body, to Isabell the next of my daughters and from one to another, and for lack of them to the next of my blood, The rest of the part of my goods my funerals discharged, and debts paid I give to my two daughters Anne and Elline and I make my wife margaret and Anthony my son the whole executors of this my last will and testament These witnesses Thomas Browne Adam Browne William Medoppe William Howson, and Thomas Howson with others

Thomas Bullocke 1570

Borthwick vol. 19 fol. 340

In de(i) no(m)i(n)e amen the second day of January Anno domini 1570 I Thomas Bullock of Tossed within the demesne(?) of Sallay sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance (loved) be almighty god make this my last will and testament in manner and form following First I give and bequeath my soul to almighty god and my body to be buried in the parish church of gigleswicke Also I give for my mortuary and other church dues all that right will Also I give and bequeath the third part of my tenement unto heline my wife during her widowhood and her widow right of my goods when my debts are paid also I give to William Bullock my son a dale (dayll) in the nether close and he to leave (leve?) his limes stones down the near dale in the haies Also I will my wife will shift the barn into the nether dale then shall she have the said close xvj years to come to bring up her children and mine And if she will not shift the said barn then she but to have the said close xij years time(?) then the said William to enter to it Also my will is that the said William shall pay to Jane his sister at the day of her marriage xx s Also I give to John my son the the house stands in after the widowhood of his mother the near dayle in the haies and half of my part of the calf Close and then said John to pay (to) Agnes his sister at the day of her marriage xx s Also I give to Steven my son Four dales on the haies and the rest of my part of the calf Close And the said steven shall pay to my youngest child if it live xx s and the said steven to ... one year before the term be expired Also if it please god to Call the said steven to his mercy before he enter to this parcel of ground then I give to Alexander Bullocke

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And I give the said Alexander vj s viij d and if it shall please almighty god to call to his mercy Jane(?) my(?) wife(?) or demand(?) before or she marry then shall that xx s be paid to and to my son Also I give to Margaret my daughter xiij (?) yards of white cloth and I give to my ... god daughter Margaret Bullock vj d the Rest of my part of goods my debts and Funeral expenses paid I give and bequeath to my wife and children and I make and constitute Elline my wife and William my son my whole executors These witnesses Gyles(?) Butterfeilde Edmunde Bearwste(?) John Bullocke and Henry Swier(?) with others